Cavalier Inn at the University of Virginia
Charlottesville

Our hotel, located on the Campus of UVA, was renovated in June 2010. It is a mid-rise hotel with 5 floors, 118 room, 5 meeting rooms with 7,500 sq. ft. of meeting space, and an outdoor pool.

In furtherance of our desire to promote sustainable activities, we purchase only locally grown fruits and vegitables. Additionally, we offer a 10% discount to anyone driving in an hybrid or electronic car.

GREEN ACTIVITIES

☑ **Optional Linen Service.** Virginia Green Lodging facilities must have some sort of system in place that allows guests to not have their sheets and towels changed every day. This facility pledges that they:
- Have signage in each guest room explaining the linen reuse procedures
- Change linens only upon request
- Train house cleaners on process for optional linen service
- Track optional linen participation rate
- Use non-phosphate, non-toxic and biodegradable laundry detergents
- Minimize use of bleach and chlorinated chemicals

☑ **Recycling and Waste Reduction.** Virginia Green Lodging facilities must recycle and are highly encouraged to maintain a comprehensive recycling program. This facility pledges that they:
- Provide the opportunity for guests to recycle: glass bottles, plastic bottles, aluminum cans, newspaper, office paper
- Have recycling bins located: on each guest floor by the elevator, in the breakfast room area and main entrance to the hotel
- Also recycle office paper, toner cartridges, fluorescent lamps, batteries
- Use rechargeable batteries in remotes and door locks
- Track overall solid waste costs

Guest rooms
- Use bulk soap dispensers instead of individual soaps/shampoos in guest rooms
- Instruct housekeeping to save and reuse unopened items

Kitchen (or meetings/events)
- Donate excess food from events
- Have an effective food inventory control to minimize waste

Dining room (or meetings/events)
- Use disposable foodservice items made from bio-based materials, renewable materials
- Use disposable foodservice items that are made with recycled content
- Use disposable foodservice items that are recyclable
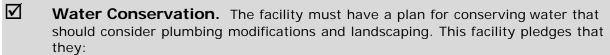- Use non-bleached napkins and coffee filters

Restrooms
- Use bulk soap dispensers in public restrooms
- Purchase recycled-content paper towels and toilet paper

Office
- Remove facility and staff names from junk mail lists when possible
- Reuse scrap paper for notes
- Reuse or donate shipping and packing supplies (peanuts, bubble wrap, etc.)
- Purchase recycled paper with a high-percentage recycled content
- Use electronic correspondence and forms when possible

Building and grounds
- Use green cleaning products that are dispensed in bulk
- Use latex low or no-VOC paints
- Re-use paint thinners
- Properly recycle and/or dispose of thinners and solvents (required by law)
- Perform preventative maintenance on all appliances, HVAC systems, plumbing, and vehicles
- Use integrated pest management (IPM)
- Minimize use of pesticides and herbicides in landscaping

☑ **Water Conservation.** The facility must have a plan for conserving water that should consider plumbing modifications and landscaping. This facility pledges that they:
- Track overall water usage and wastewater

Activities indoors
- Perform preventative maintenance to stop drips and leaks
- Use water-flow metering to discover leaks and areas of high use
- Have installed:
  - High efficiency dishwashers
  - Low flow faucets and showerheads (use less than 2.5 gallons per minute)
  - Low flow toilets (use 1.6 gallons per flush or less)
- Use microfiber technology mops

Activities outdoors
- Have an effective landscape management plan which utilizes minimizes lawn areas and planted native plants that do not require watering
- Have an effective storm water management plan which includes pervious pavement, and minimization of impervious areas (paving, concrete, etc.)

☑ **Energy Conservation.** The facility must have a plan in place that encourages replacement of lighting and equipment to energy-efficient alternatives. This facility pledges that they:
- Track overall energy bills
- Have had an energy audit to identify efficiency opportunities within the past 12 months
- Have established a numeric goal to reduce energy usage over time

Heating and cooling
- Have individual thermostats for each room/area
- Regularly perform preventative maintenance on HVAC system
- Keep office doors and windows closed in HVAC system is on

Lighting
- Have adopted a policy/practice to turn off lights in unoccupied rooms
- Have installed high efficiency fluorescent ballasts and lamps (T5s and T8s)
- Have installed compact fluorescent light bulbs in all rooms and in canned lighting
- Have adopted a policy/practice to minimize the use of lighting during night cleaning

Appliances and electronic devices
- Use ENERGY STAR qualified appliances (commercial kitchens, heating and cooling, consumer electronics)
- Use ENERGY STAR qualified office equipment (computers, monitors, copiers, printers, etc.)
- Have adopted a policy / practice to turn off fans, computers, monitors and other device in unoccupied rooms an the end of the workday or when otherwise not being used

☑ **Green Events Package.** The facility must offer a "green" or "environmentally-friendly" package for conferences, meetings and other events. Even if the facility only offers occasional, small events, at least recycling will be provided. This facility pledges that they:
- Promote the availability of "green meetings/conferences" in marketing packages
- Provide signage for green events
- Use only recycled paper products

For more information on **Cavalier Inn at the University of Virginia**, see www.cavalierinn.com or contact Michael Moran at mmoran@cavalierinn.com or (434) 296-8111.

Virginia Green is the Commonwealth of Virginia's campaign to promote environmentally-friendly practices is all aspects of Virginia's tourism industry. *Virginia Green* is supported through a partnership between the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, the Virginia Hospitality & Travel Association, and the Virginia Tourism Corporation. The program has established "core activities" specific to each sector of tourism; these practices are the minimum requirements for participation in the program, but encourages participants to reduce their environmental impacts in all aspects of their operations.

For more information on *Virginia Green* program, see www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/virginiagreen or www.virginiagreentravel.org.